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1. Dragisa Cvetkovich, the 1938 Yugoslav Prime Minister and co-signer with Dr. Vladko Macek of the pro-Axis pact of 1941, has recently arrived in Paris travelling on a Royal Yugoslav passport with a French visa. He had come from Constantinople via Rome by British plane. Two or three months ago, Cvetkovich sent to former Prime Minister Bidault a detailed explanation and analysis of his reasons for signing the Vienna pro-Axis agreement in 1941. He obtained his present French visa by direct application to the Quai D'Orsay without difficulty. It is said that Cvetkovich plans permanent residence in Paris.
2. Cvetkovich has already had discussions with Macek who still values his abilities. He expressed the following convictions to Macek:
  - A. That the Monarchy is no longer acceptable to the Yugoslav people.
  - B. That there exists a desirability for a Bulgarian-Yugoslav union and for the close collaboration between the Bulgarian and Yugoslav peasant opposition.
  - C. That Macedonia should retain autonomous status on a footing with the other Federated Yugoslav Republics.
  - D. That the Yugoslav opposition should be founded within the framework of the present National Front Government if possible. If not, it should be centered abroad and based on complete accord between Milan Gavrilovich in London and Dragoljub Jovanovich in Belgrade.
  - E. That no political leaders now in London have any support inside Yugoslavia except perhaps Milosh Bobich, the Serb Radical leader.
3. Cvetkovich has not yet seen King Peter, who is still in Paris seeking a Swiss visa, nor other Serb leaders there. He will probably receive a very cool reception when he does see the King. It is thought that Cvetkovich hopes to establish himself as the recognized leader of the Serb Radical Party and to tie himself closely to Macek in order to recover his lost political prestige. Meanwhile Macek is being advised strongly by his closest advisers not to make any commitments to Cvetkovich which might endanger the success of the projected conversations with the Serbs in London.
4. While in Rome during the end of November, Cvetkovich held one or more meetings with the Slovene leader Miha Krek possibly with a view to forming a new Yugoslav Committee in Paris to the detriment of the present London Committee. He also contacted Dr. Ivan Pernar, General Khranavovich, former Yugoslav Military Attache to Rome, Sima Adanja, former Belgrade lawyer, and Cyril Kotnik. Adanja stated that he was told by Cvetkovich that the latter signed the Axis pact only at the request of the Russians. It is thought that this may represent the groundwork

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for a campaign to whitewash Cvetkovich should the Macek conference indicate the advisability of such a step.

5. Veckoslav Bucar, a Slovene liberal, learned of Cvetkovich's presence and meetings in Rome, and informed the local and foreign press which apparently interviewed Cvetkovich. Bucar also sent messages to London and Switzerland in an effort to prevent a possible secret Macek-Krek-Cvetkovich agreement.

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